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FROM US MBFR REP

EO: 11652: GDS TAGS: PARM

SUBJ: MBFR: ASPECTS OF FINAL JUNE 28 PLENARY

- 1. FOLLOWING BUCHAREST'S REJECTION OF JUNE 27 EFFORT BY FRG AND US REPS TO HEAD OFF SEPARATE ROMANIAN STATEMENT AT FINAL MBFR PLENARY AND DECISION OF AD HOC GROUP THAT SOME ALLIED COUNTER STATEMENT SHOULD BE MADE, US REP TOOK INITIATIVE MORNING OF JUNE 28 AS PLENARY WAS CONVENING TO SUGGEST TO ALLIES A MORE POSITIVE VERSION OF THE ALLIED STATEMENT OF RESPONSE WHICH HAD BEEN AGREED AT PREVIOUS DAY'S AD HOC GROUP MEETING. GROUP AGREED AND TEXT WAS DELIVERED AS IN SEPTEL.
- 2. FOLLOWING SESSION, ROMANIAN REP THANKED US REP FOR HIS HELP IN TRYING TO MEET ROMANIAN INTERESTS. HE IMPLIED HE HAD RECOMMENDED TO BUCHAREST SHORT ALTERNATIVE DRAFT PROPOSED BY FRG AND US CONFIDENTIAL

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REPS ON PREVIOUS DAY AND WAS UNHAPPY THAT THE EFFORT HAD NOT BEEN SUCCESSFUL, BUT WISHED IN ANY EVENT TO EXPRESS HIS CONSIDERABLE APPRECIATION FOR US HELP.

- 3. BELGIAN REP ADRIAENSSEN HAD WITH HIM TEXT OF SPEECH WITH CRITICISM OF PROCEDURES WHICH HE HAD APPARENTLY INTENDED TO PRESENT DURING PLENARY. HE SHOWED TEXT TO CANADIAN REP AND WAS INFORMED BY THE LATTER THAT THE AD HOC GROUP HAD AGREED ON PREVIOUS DAY IN MEETING ATTENDED BY ACTING BELGIAN REP (BURNY) THAT THERE WOULD BE ONLY ONE WESTERN STATEMENT. BELGIAN REP ADRIAENSSEN INDICATED SURPRISE AT THIS INFORMATION, BUT DID NOT DELIVER TEXT.
- 4. SOVIET REP KHLESTOV TOLD US AND UK REPS FOLLOWING PLENARY THAT THE SOVIETS HAD INFORMATION THAT THE ROMANIANS HAD BEEN ENCOURAGED TO MAKE THEIR STATEMENT BY SOME WESTERN CAPITALS.
- 5. COMMENT: AD HOC GROUP WAS EARLIER INFORMED BY ACTING BELGIAN REP THAT BELGIUM WOULD SUPPORT INCLUSION IN COMMUNIQUE TEXT OF ROMANIAN POINT THAT MEASURES AGREED DURING MBFR NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD NOT PREJUDICE THE SECURITY OF ANY EUROPEAN STATE. IT SEEMS POSSIBLE IN THE LIGHT OF THE ABOVE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT THE BELGIANS HAVE THE ROMANIANS SOME ENCOURAGEMENT TO BELIEVE THAT THEY WOULD NOT BE ALONE IN MAKING A NATIONAL STATEMENT ON THE COMMUNIQUE TEXT. HUMES

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